

DETAILED ACTION

Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

1. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 9 February 2009 has been entered.

Response to Amendment

2. The amendment of 9 February 2009 has been entered. Claims 1, 3 and 9 have been amended, claims 4-7 have been cancelled and claim 12 has been withdrawn from consideration. Claims 1-3 and 8-11 are pending in this application with claim 1 being sole independent claim.

Examiner's Amendment

3. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

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Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Attorney Bryan Myers on 10 August 2009.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the claims:

Claim 1, line 1, replace "said process" with --, said process--;

line 6, replace "rinsing the electrodeposited" with --rinsing the CED--; and

line 10, insert --d)-- before "thermally crosslinking".

Claim 9, line 1, replace "wherein contact" with --wherein the contacting--.

Cancel non-elected claim 12 without traverse to the filing of a divisional application.

4. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Because of the amendment and arguments filed 9 February 2009, the previous rejections are no longer maintained.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the

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examiner should be directed to Kishor Mayekar whose telephone number is (571) 272-1339. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nam Nguyen can be reached on (571) 272-1342. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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